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FOLLOWING REPEAT MADRID 4658 ACTION SECSTATE DATED 3 JULY 75
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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM MCCLOSKEY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, US, SP
SUBJ: SPANISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS

1. I HAVE ASKED THE DEPARTMENT TO PASS TO YOU MY REPORT
OF YESTERDAY'S ROUND HERE IN MADRID. WITH CHARACTERIS-
TIC ILLOGIC, THE SPANISH HAVE BROUGHT OUR NEGOTIATIONS
TO AN IMPASSE BY PROPOSING NEW AND CONTRADICTORY IMPOSI-
TIONS AGAINST THE US E OF FACILITIES HERE BY THE UNITED
STATES. THEY HAVE REFORMULATED AND MADE MORE UNACCEPT-
ABLE THE PROPOSAL PUT TO US IN THE LAST ROUND IN APRIL
FOR A MIXTURE OF REASONS THAT GROW OUT OF A NUMBER OF
INTERRELATED FACTORS INCLUDING (A) UNREQUITED RECOGNI-
TION OF SPANISH DEFENSE CONTRIBUTION BY NATO; (B) OUR
INABILITY TO PROVIDE A SECURITY GUARANTEE OR TO GIVE
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EFFECT TO "EQUAL TREATMENT" PARAGRAPH OF DECLARATION OF

PRINCIPLES; (C) OUR LIMITATIONS OR QUID TO MEET GOS
EXPECTATIONS WHICH ARE VERY HIGH; AND (D) A REAL PROBLEM
GOS HAS WITH PUBLIC OPINION WHICH CONTINUES TO BE NEGATIVE
WITH RESPECT TO THE CURRENT LEVEL OF US PRESENCE IN SPAIN.
IN ANY CASE, WE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE SOME BASIC DECI-
SIONS. I WILL BE REQUESTING DOD TO ESTABLISH SOME PRIORI-
TIES WITH RESPECT TO OUR USE OF FACILITIES HERE. I WILL
DO A PAPER FOR YOU AND HOPE TO DISCUSS THESE QUESTIONS
WITH YOU SOON AFTER YOUR RETURN TO WASHINGTON. THE
SPANISH WILL BE COMING AGAIN JULY 21.

2. CORTINA WANTS TO SEE ME TONIGHT. AS USUAL I EXPECT A
FASCINATING IF NOT ENTIRELY INTELLIGIBLE AND LARGELY ONE-
SIDED CONVERATION. I HALF EXPECT HE WILL ASK FOR A
SPECIAL MEETING WITH YOU. MY COUNTERPART, ROVIRA, HAS
ALREADY SUGGESTED IT. I INTEND TO MAKE NO COMMITMENT.
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